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DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION ON THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEESHIP SYSTEM IN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

Report of the Secretary-General

1. Pursuant to Trusteeship Council resolution 36 (III) of 8 July 1948 and General Assembly resolution 754 (VIII) of 9 December 1953, the Secretary-General and the Administering Authority of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands continued to co-operate during the period under review in disseminating information to the Trust Territory on the aims and objectives of the International Trusteeship System and of the United Nations. The present report covers the period from 1 May 1989 to 30 April 1990.

2. The Department of Public Information of the Secretariat distributed information material both directly to the Trust Territory and through its information centres, primarily the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo. Other departments of the Secretariat co-operated in that effort, particularly the secretariat of the Trusteeship Council and the Distribution Section of the Department of Conference Services.

3. Documents of the Trusteeship Council were airmailed by the Distribution Section directly from Headquarters to 33 recipients 1/ in the Trust Territory, while taped radio and video programmes were regularly distributed by the Department of Public Information. The mailing lists for United Nations publications, radio programmes and video tapes and other information materials included government offices, radio stations, newspapers, educational institutions, libraries and individuals.

4. The Department of Public Information produced 13 press releases in the English language and 15 in the French language dealing with the Trusteeship Council.

5. Photo coverage by the Department of Public Information of the proceedings of the Trusteeship Council was made available to the news media.

6. During the period under review, the Radio Section of the Department of Public Information regularly distributed the weekly programmes "UN Calling Asia", "Perspective" and "Women" and the monthly programme "Scope" to the following radio stations in the Trust Territory: WSZE in Saipan; WSZC in Truk; WSZB in Palau; WSZO in Majuro; WSZD in Pohnpei; WTFL and KUSI in Kosrae; and WSZA in Yap.

7. Since most public institutions in the Territory, including schools, have video-cassette playing equipment, the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo continued to make United Nations films and video catalogues available throughout the Territory. Since May 1989, every two weeks, four VHS copies of the UN in Action video programme, taped at United Nations Headquarters, have been sent to the Trust Territory through the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo.

8. The message of the President of the Trusteeship Council on the occasion of United Nations Day was transmitted to the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo, which transmitted it to the Territory as a press release. The message of the Secretary-General was similarly distributed.

9. The UN Chronicle, a quarterly publication of the Department of Public Information, covered the United Nations Visiting Mission to Palau in April 1989 and the deliberations of the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-sixth session held in 1989; those reports appeared in the June, September and December 1989 issues. All editions of the UN Chronicle are sent to the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo, which forwards them to the Territory. Other materials transmitted to the Trust Territory during the period under review included, Objective: Justice; Basic Facts about the United Nations; a press kit on the forty-fourth session of the General Assembly; and the 1990 calendar.

10. During the period under review, the Officer-in-Charge of the United Nations Information Centre at Tokyo was in constant contact with the Trust Territory in order to be kept aware of the informational needs of the people in the Territory. Through cables, he continued to transmit information on the activities of the Trusteeship Council; on other matters related to decolonization and trusteeship; and on the work of the United Nations in general.

11. In response to the request of the Trusteeship Council, at its fifty-sixth session, the Department of Public Information has assembled a file of information materials, which have been distributed in the Trust Territory. The file is available for examination in the office of the secretariat of the Council.

Notes

1/ The list of recipients has been placed in the files of the secretariat of the Trusteeship Council and is available to members of the Council for consultation.

Annex

LIST OF UNITED NATIONS INFORMATION MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED IN THE TRUST TERRITORY OF THE PACIFIC ISLANDS

May 1989-April 1990

AFRICA

Africa Recovery
Adjustment for Transformation

APARTHEID

Notes and Documents (1989 issues)
Teaching about Apartheid
Special Session of the General Assembly on Apartheid
South African Destabilization

DEVELOPMENT

Development Forum (1989 and 1990 issues)
World Development
UNDP World Development Annual Report
Development in Action
A Practical Guide to the Decade for Cultural Development

DISARMAMENT

Newsletter of the World Disarmament Campaign (5 issues)
Disarmament Facts (Nos. 53-70)
The UN and Disarmament - A Short History

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Perspective to the Year 2000 and Beyond

HUMAN RIGHTS

Outlawing an Ancient Evil: Torture
Convention on the Rights of the Child
Human Rights Newsletter

LAW OF THE SEA

Law of the Sea Bulletin

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NAMIBIA

Namibia Outlook
Public hearings on: transnational corporations in South Africa and Namibia

PALESTINIAN RIGHTS

Bulletin (1989 issues)
For the Rights of Palestinians
International Day of Solidarity
The Palestinians' Rights Committee
The Need for Convening an International Peace Conference

WOMEN'S ISSUES

Strength in Adversity: Women in Developing Countries
Women News (1989-1990 issues)
Women 2000 (1989 issues)

WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME

Six Steps to a Food Aid Project
1988 Annual Report
Journal (1989 issues)
Food Aid Works
World Food Programme in Africa

MESSAGES AND REPORTS

Secretary-General's message on the occasion of United Nations Day
Trusteeship Council President's message on the occasion of United Nations Day
Report of the Secretary-General on the Work of the Organization

PAMPHLETS

Declaration on Social Progress and Development
The UN Social Agenda
UN Iran-Iraq Military Observer Group
UN Peace-Keeping
World Decade for Cultural Development 1988-1990
International Volunteer Day

POSTERS

Women and the Environment
1990 Namibia - Namibia Needs your Support
Universal Declaration of Human Rights
People only Live Full Lives in the Light of Human Rights
Women in Parliament
Namibia - Free and Fair Elections

From the Distribution Section of the Department of Conference Services of the Secretariat at Headquarters:

Trusteeship Council, verbatim records of the fifty-sixth session (T/PV.1661-1673)

Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 1 (T/1935)

Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Fifty-seventh Session, Supplement No. 1 (T/1942)

Trusteeship Council documents:

T/1936 to T/1940; T/1941/Rev.1; T/1942; T/1944 to T/1946.
T/RES/2190 (S-XIX)
T/RES/2191 (LVI)
T/RES/2192 (S-XX)
T/INF/37 and Add.1.

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OFFERS BY MEMBER STATES OF STUDY AND TRAINING FACILITIES FOR INHABITANTS OF TRUST TERRITORIES

Report of the Secretary-General

1. By its resolutions 557 (VI) of 18 January 1952 and 753 (VIII) of 9 December 1953, the General Assembly invited Member States to make available to qualified students from Trust Territories scholarships, fellowships and internships for university study and post-primary and technical education.

2. The programme is administered in accordance with the procedure approved by the Trusteeship Council at its thirteenth session. 1/ Under that procedure, the Secretary-General was invited to submit to the Trusteeship Council, at least once a year, a report containing all appropriate details of the programme. The present report is the thirty-eighth such report and covers the period from 20 May 1989 to 15 May 1990.

3. As stated in previous reports, 11 Member States had in the past made scholarships available under this programme. Those Member States were the following: Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Tunisia, Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Yugoslavia.

4. A description of the scholarships offered by Member States is contained in the eighteenth report submitted to the Trusteeship Council at its thirty-sixth session. 2/

5. Up-to-date information concerning the scholarships made available under the programme, as well as the extent to which awards had been made to, and utilized by, students from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, was requested by the Secretary-General in a note dated 1 March 1990 addressed to Member States that had offered scholarships in previous years.

6. As at 15 May 1990, information had been received from two States, namely, Italy and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

7. In a note dated 11 April 1990, the Permanent Mission of Italy to the United Nations informed the Secretariat of the United Nations that so far no scholarship had been offered by the Italian Government to the inhabitants of the Trust Territory.

8. In a note dated 12 April 1990, the Permanent Mission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations informed the Secretary-General that, during the academic year 1989/90, no inhabitants from the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands were studying in the Soviet Union.

9. Information on scholarships made available under the programme is included in the twenty-sixth edition of Study Abroad (1989/1990/1991), published by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO). Copies of Study Abroad are sent to the Administering Authority and to United Nations information centres.

Notes

1/ Official Records of the Trusteeship Council, Thirteenth Session, Annexes, agenda item 13, document T/1093.

2/ Ibid., Thirty-sixth Session, Annexes, agenda item 10, document T/1696.

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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON CREDENTIALS

1. Pursuant to rules 14, 15 and 16 of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council, the Secretary-General has the honour to submit to the Trusteeship Council the following report.

2. The Secretary-General has examined the credentials of the representatives of States members of the Trusteeship Council and of other States Members of the United Nations and of the specialized agencies to the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-seventh session, which were communicated to him under rules 14, 15 and 16, respectively, of the rules of procedure of the Trusteeship Council.

3. The Secretary-General has found that all the credentials received have been issued in accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned rules.

4. The names of the representatives and the composition of the delegations to the Trusteeship Council at its fifty-seventh session appear in the annex to the present report.

Annex

LIST OF DELEGATIONS TO THE FIFTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

I. MEMBERS OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

CHINA

Representative:	H.E. Mr. DING Yuanhong
Alternate representatives:	Mr. YU Shuning Mr. LU Yongshou

FRANCE

Representatives:	Mme. Anne GAZEAU-SECRET M. Francis DELON M. Pierre MENAT M. Jean-Pierre LACROIX

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS

Representative:	Mr. Dmitriy V. BYKOV
Alternate representatives:	Mr. Yuozapas Y. GRIGUTIS Mr. Valentin N. BEREZOVSKIY
Member of the delegation:	Mr. Semyon A. DZAKHAEV
Expert:	Mr. Mikhail I. STESHENKO

UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Representative:	H.E. Mr. Thomas L. RICHARDSON
Alternate representatives:	Mr. Christopher O. HUM Mr. Anthony I. AUST Mr. J. Stephen SMITH

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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II. OTHER STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

FIJI

Representative:	Mr. Isikia Rabici SAVUA

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Representative:	H.E. Mr. Renagi R. LOHIA
Alternate representative:	Mr. Tarcisius ERI

III. SPECIALIZED AGENCIES

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION

Representative:	Mr. Georges MINET

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Representatives:	Mr. Jean SYROGIANIS-CAMARA Mr. Frederick H. WEIBGEN

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC
AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

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LETTER DATED 24 AUGUST 1990 FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit herewith for the attention of the members of the Trusteeship Council the conclusions and recommendations concerning the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, 1/ adopted by the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples at its 1363rd meeting, on 1 August 1990.

(Signed) Tesfaye TADESSE
Chairman
Special Committee on the Situation
with regard to the Implementation
of the Declaration on the Granting
of Independence to Colonial
Countries and Peoples

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1/ For the text of the conclusions and recommendations, see document A/AC.109/L.1737, para. 6.

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LETTER DATED 7 DECEMBER 1990 FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On behalf of the members of the Trusteeship Council, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a draft resolution of the Security Council on the status of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

I should be grateful if you would submit this draft resolution to the members of the Security Council.

(Signed) Anne GAZEAU-SECRET
President of the Trusteeship Council

Annex

[Original: English]

DRAFT RESOLUTION RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION BY THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Partial termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands

The Security Council,

Recalling Chapter XII of the Charter of the United Nations which established an international trusteeship system,

Conscious of its responsibility relating to strategic areas as set forth in Article 83, paragraph 1, of the Charter,

Recalling its resolution 21 (1947) of 2 April 1947, in which it approved the Trusteeship Agreement for the former Japanese Mandated Islands, since known as the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands,

Noting that the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands 1/ designated the United States of America as Administering Authority of the Trust Territory,

Mindful that article 6 of the Trusteeship Agreement, in conformity with Article 76 of the Charter, obligated the Administering Authority, inter alia, to promote the development of the inhabitants of the Trust Territory towards self-government or independence as may be appropriate to the particular circumstances of the Trust Territory and its peoples and the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned,

Aware that, towards this end, negotiations between the Administering Authority and representatives of the Trust Territory began in 1969 and resulted in the conclusion of a Compact of Free Association in the case of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Marshall Islands, and a Commonwealth Covenant in the case of the Northern Mariana Islands,

Satisfied that the peoples of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands have freely exercised their right to self-determination in approving their respective new status agreements in plebiscites observed by visiting missions of the Trusteeship Council and that, in

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1/ Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (United Nations publication, Sales No. 1957.VI.A.1).

addition to these plebiscites, the duly constituted legislatures of these entities have adopted resolutions approving the respective new status agreements, 2/ thereby freely expressing their wish to terminate the status of these entities as parts of the Trust Territory,

Hoping that the people of Palau will be able in due course to complete the process of freely exercising their right to self-determination,

Taking note of resolution 2183 (LIII) of the Trusteeship Council of 28 May 1986 and subsequent reports of the Trusteeship Council to the Security Council,

Determines, in the light of the entry into force of the new status agreements for the Federated States of Micronesia, the Marshall Islands and the Northern Mariana Islands, that the objectives of the Trusteeship Agreement have been fully attained, and that the applicability of the Trusteeship Agreement has terminated, with respect to those entities.

2/ See resolution No. 4-60 of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia (26 March 1986); resolution No. 62 N.D.-2 of the Nitijela of the Marshall Islands (8 February 1986); and resolution No. 76-1975 of the Fourth Mariana Islands District Legislature (20 February 1975).

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LETTER DATED 18 DECEMBER 1990 FROM THE PREMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF VANUATU TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE TRUSTEESHIP COUNCIL

I have the honour, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are also members of the South Pacific Forum, namely Australia, Fiji, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Vanuatu, to address you and members of the Council on the proposal for the partial termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, contained in document T/1951.

When the proposal for partial termination came before the Trusteeship Council itself in May 1986, I had the honour to speak on behalf of the South Pacific Forum members of the United Nations in that regard. In that statement, we affirmed the call made to the Council by representatives of the component parts of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands for partial termination of the trusteeship.

It was the view then of our respective Governments, and remains so today, that the peoples of Micronesia had, through various acts of self-determination and under the guidance of the United Nations, freely chosen forms of government most suited to their particular circumstances. The Micronesian States had already begun participating in South Pacific regional and other organizations. That process has continued and the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands became full members of the South Pacific Forum in 1987. The two other entities, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and Palau, participate in other regional organizations.

The South Pacific Forum countries on behalf of whom I write have all accorded full recognition to the Federated States of Micronesia. The majority have also accorded recognition to the Republic of the Marshall Islands. The fact that not all have been able to do so points to a major difficulty faced by those two States. International recognition is an essential part of the process of nation-building in the Pacific, and indeed elsewhere. The lack of Security Council approval of termination of the Trusteeship Agreement for the affected States of the Trust Territory is seen by some as an impediment to recognition of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands as sovereign self-governing nations.

It is the view of our Governments that the freely made decisions of the peoples of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands with regard to their political future, as noted by the Trusteeship Council in its resolution 2183 (LIII) of 28 May 1986, should be accepted by the Security Council and the Trusteeship Agreement in respect of those entitites terminated.

We look forward to the day when the fourth entity of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Palau, also freely determines its own political future. The United Nations is rightly proud of its role in the decolonization process. The guiding principle is, in our view, that the wishes of the people of the Territories concerned must be paramount and that they must be free to choose their future as and when they wish. It is on precisely that basis that the Governments on whose behalf I write, commend to the Security Council the early termination of the Trusteeship Agreement in respect of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

We should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Trusteeship Council.

(Signed) Robert F. VAN LIEROP
Ambassador
Permanent Representative